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Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Regarding School Health Services

Audience: Superintendents, Principals, School Nurses

The Vermont Department of Education (VTDOE) and the Vermont Department of Health have entered into a memorandum of understanding regarding how we will work together to provide high quality school health services. View the MOU at http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm_health_services.html#mou. For medical information about school health services, contact your school health liaison. Contact: For health education questions, contact Donna McAllister, Health Education Consultant, at (802) 828-1636 or donna.mcallister@state.vt.us.

Department Initiative: Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) and National Governors Association (NGA) Common Core State Standards Initiative (CCSSI)

Audience: All

Vermont is one of 46 states to sign on to the CCSSI, a significant and historic opportunity for states to collectively develop and adopt a core set of academic standards in mathematics and English language arts. The initiative is being jointly led by the NGA Center for Best Practices and the Council of Chief State School Officers in partnership with Achieve, ACT, and the College Board. It builds directly on recent efforts of leading organizations and states that have focused on developing college- and career-ready standards and ensures these standards are evidence- and research-based and internationally benchmarked to top-performing countries. For more information, visit http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/maindept.html#CCSSO.

ARRA Homeless Education Grants Summary Updated

Audience: All

The McKinney Vento Homeless Education ARRA grant awards summary has been updated and is posted at http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm_homeless.html#mckinney.
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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For the Department of Education Web site see: http://education.vermont.gov/. For upcoming events or professional development opportunities, see the DOE Calendar of Events located at: http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/calendar.html.

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